

# ***NEWS FROM MAJORITY LEADER***

# ***ROB CALARCO***



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## **LEGISLATOR CALARCO FUNDS WATER QUALITY PROJECT IN BLUE POINT**

**HAUPPUAGE, NY** – Today the Suffolk County Legislature passed resolution IR 1545 “Amending the Adopted Operating Budget to Transfer Funds from Fund 477 Water Quality Protection in Connection with a Town of Brookhaven Project for Restoration of Blue Point Avenue Pond and Stormwater Improvement.”

The capital budget amendment transfers \$125,000 to the Capital Fund from the Water Quality Protection and Restoration fund for the purpose of remediating and improving water quality in Blue Point Avenue Pond. The fund was designated by Suffolk County for the express purpose of providing critical groundwater protection resources to impaired waterways.

“Blue Point Pond is a critical waterbody for our South Shore communities,” said Majority Leader and Suffolk County Legislator Rob Calarco. “This project will not only alleviate flooding that affects many residents during stormwater events but protects our groundwater and the Great South Bay. I am proud to sponsor another initiative to protect our most important natural resource.”

### **LINDSAY QUOTE?**

The project is consistent with the recommendations of the South Shore Estuary Reserve Comprehensive Management Plan and will be completed in conjunction with the Town of Brookhaven. Restoration activities will include construction of a bio-retention basin, stormwater infrastructure upgrades and removal of invasive species. Construction is expected to begin XXXXX.

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